

Rules & Regulations for the  
2016 Hood County Junior Livestock Show  
General Rules

1. The Hood County Livestock Raisers Association (herein referred to as HCLRA) owns the property and facilities where the Hood County Junior Livestock Show and Sale is held. The HCLRA officers and directors have no direct responsibility for decisions made during the show and sale. The President of HCLRA shall appoint a Show Superintendent and a Sale Superintendent prior to the show each year. The HCLRA membership shall elect department Superintendents prior to the show each year.
2. The HCLRA and/or members will not be responsible or liable for any accident, loss, or bodily injury to any person, exhibitor, animal or exhibit. Each exhibitor will be responsible for any loss or damage incurred while on the premises.
3. Alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances will not be allowed on the grounds during the show or sale of the HCLRA County Fair. Violation of this rule will result in the person being escorted from the property and/or penalty as stated in rule #42.
4. No Dogs (including puppies) will be allowed on the grounds during the Show or Sale. The only exception will be for service animals. (i.e. guide, law enforcement)
5. The Hood County Junior Livestock show is open to all youth that meet one of the following requirements:
  - A. Primarily residing in the Granbury, Lipan, or Tolar Independent School District and a member of a Hood County 4-H program or;
  - B. Attending Granbury, Lipan, or Tolar Independent School District and a member of a FFA, FCCLA or Junior FFA Chapter of that school district or Hood County 4-H.

These requirements must be maintained from the time of the County validation through the County Show. Exhibitors will not be eligible to show at the Hood Co. Stock Show if they participate in another county show in the same school year. Exceptions to this rule must be appealed to and determined by the directors committee.

6. Ownership deadlines are due by the dates and times shown below:

Market Steers –ownership and validation by June 23 at 8 p.m., concurrent with state validation.  
Goats, Lambs, and Swine – ownership and validation by November 14, 2015 at Noon.  
*State tags may be used in place of Hood County tags if validated by the deadline. Out of county state tags must be accompanied with a copy of the state validation form.*  
Poultry – Must be ordered and paid for by October 8, 2015 at 4 p.m.  
*Birds not claimed by noon on pick-up day will be given away to present paid exhibitors.*  
Rabbits – ownership and validation by December 5, 2015 at Noon.  
Breeding animals shall be declared at validation. A minimum of 5 animals are required to make a show. Owner must be able to show proof of ownership by papers, tagging, or tattoos by November 14, 2015, except for rabbits by December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

7. Exhibitors will only be allowed to exhibit in three different Premium Sale eligible divisions. Exhibitors may exhibit a maximum of two animals per species, with the exception of poultry and rabbits. Exhibitors

may exhibit two (2) pens of broilers. Exhibitors may exhibit two (2) meat pens (pen of 3) of rabbits or two (2) single fryer rabbits or one (1) of each. Family Living exhibitors may exhibit up to 15 different items and Agricultural Mechanics are allowed two (2) projects.

8. The top fifty percent (50%) of each class of market steers, lambs, swine, and goats shown will be eligible to be sold through the Premium Sale. The top thirty three percent (33%) of broilers, single fryers and meat pen (pen of 3) rabbits will be eligible to be sold through the Premium Sale. The Grand Champion and Reserve Champion projects will be eligible for the Premium Sale.
9. Exhibitors will be permitted to sell a maximum of two (2) projects in the Premium Sale. The sale of only one (1) minor project is permitted unless the exhibitor has two Grand Champion or Reserve Champion minor projects. Major projects include steers, lambs, swine, goats, and ag mechanics. Minor projects include rabbits, poultry, family living.
10. A total of ten (10) family living projects will be eligible to sell in the Premium Sale. A family living project counts toward the maximum number of two (2) items allowed in the Premium Sale for each exhibitor. The two age groups (junior and senior) will be eligible to sell one project from each category (sewing, food, and crafts) in the Premium Sale. A Grand and Reserve Champion will be chosen from each age group and will be eligible for the Premium Sale. The Division Champions from each category from both age groups will be eligible for the Premium Sale.
11. The Agricultural Mechanics Champion and Reserve Champion of each Division shall be eligible for the Premium Sale.
12. **County Show Registration is open from November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015 to December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at midnight online. Online Registration is available at [hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org](http://hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org). Paper registration forms are also available on the website or from your advisor. If entries are not made online, paper entry forms are due to your advisor by 5 pm on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015.** The entry fee for steers, swine, lambs, goats, agricultural mechanics, poultry and rabbits will be \$20.00 per project. The entry fee for breeding animals will be \$20.00 per project. Half of the breeding entry fee will go toward the breeding awards. The entry fee is non-refundable except if a breeding class does not make. If online registration is used, a paper entry form is not required.
13. **County Show ONLY Validation is as follows:** Market steers will be validation tagged by 8 p.m. on *June 23, 2015*. All market lambs, goats, swine and breeding projects will be validation tagged by 12:00 noon, on *November 14, 2015*. Validation days for the week prior to deadline are as follows- Lipan on Monday, Tolar on Tuesday, Granbury on Thursday and Reunion grounds on Saturday. Time of validation will be announced by the validation committee. No validation will be allowed after this date, except rabbits. Rabbits will be validated by 12:00 noon on *December 5, 2015*. Place and time of validation will be announced by the validation committee. Poultry projects will be validated at time of delivery, but must be ordered by 4:00 pm on *October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015*.
14. Animals may be validated under the name of two or more exhibitors, if all the following criteria are met:
  - A. They are siblings, stepsiblings, or under legal guardianship. If siblings have different last names, it must be noted on the validation form.
  - B. All listed are bona fide junior exhibitors and eligible to show as junior exhibitors as stated in rule #5.
  - C. Are primarily residing in Hood County or attend a Granbury, Lipan or

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Tolar school, but individual registration/entry is required for each exhibitor. All projects must be assigned to a specific exhibitor at weigh in / check in.

15. Lost validation tags for any animal shall be reported to the Advisor, then a Superintendent within one day, before the show. During the show, upon discovery, lost tags shall be reported within one (1) hour to the Advisor and/or Superintendent.
16. Family living entries must be registered with HCLRA by December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 by midnight online or to the advisor by 5 pm. Entry fees, \$5.00 per entry with a maximum of 15 entries per exhibitor, must be paid at time of registration. Entries must have been made by the exhibitor between the dates of January 11, 2015 and January 6, 2016.
17. Agricultural Mechanics entries must be registered with HCLRA by December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 by midnight online or to the advisor by 5 pm with a class declared.  
The entry fee shall be \$20.00 for each entry. Entries must have been made by the exhibitor between the dates of January 11, 2015 and January 6, 2016.
18. Livestock Skill-a-thon entries must be registered with HCLRA by December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015 by midnight online or to the advisor by 5 pm. The entry fee shall be \$20.00 per participant and is non-refundable except if the class does not make. Half of the entry fee will go toward awards. Dress code as stated in Rule #41 will be enforced.
19. The grounds will be closed and locked between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. during the show and sale. A Security Guard will be present for Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday night watch. NO overnight camping is allowed during the show dates. Trailers shall be parked in designated areas only.
20. **No parents, advisors, or other adults** are allowed in the classification, show or sale ring, other than show officials. An exhibitor may have an assistant of one eligible exhibitor to assist with displaying of trophies during the sale.
21. Rabbit weigh in starts at 8:30 am on Wednesday, January 6, 2016. Weigh in for lambs will be on Wednesday, January 6, 2015 between 2:30 pm and 3:30 pm followed by swine weigh in between 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm. Goat weigh in will be between 8:00 am and 9:00 am on Thursday, January 7, 2016 followed by cattle between 9:00 am and 10:00 am. Also see attached schedule for times. All animals will be weighed only once. The weight of market steers, lambs, swine and goats will be rounded to the nearest pound. **If there are any questions, the exhibitor must ask the Superintendent before the animal leaves the scale area.**
22. All animals meeting show qualifications must remain on the show grounds once weigh in is completed. All animals will be penned in an authorized area and shall be housed in the barn if space is available. Any animal not validated and confirmed for the show will not be allowed on the grounds during the show, unless approved by the Department Superintendents.
23. Specific areas will be setup for fitting of animals.
24. The Department Superintendents will pass all animals. Sifted underweight animals will not be eligible for the market show, premium sale or standard floor sale. Sifted underweight animals will not be eligible to be

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sold at floor price unless approved by the Superintendents. Animals not meeting the minimum or maximum weight requirements will be removed from the show grounds by 8:00 p.m. Thursday night.

25. A judge may not judge more than two (2) consecutive years for any one species, division or family living. In all cases, the decision of the judge will be final.
26. Animals must be shown and sold in their natural state. No glitter, paints, dye, adhesives or other decorations shall be used.
27. There will be a separate class in each division of the fair for children ages 5 to 8 years old. These kids will be considered "Clover Kids". Ribbons will be awarded. Animals owned by these exhibitors cannot be sold through the premium sale; however they can sell at floor price if class weight requirements are met. These young exhibitors, too young for 4-H, may show animals owned by others.
28. Showmanship awards will be awarded in Junior and Senior age groups in these divisions: cattle, lambs, swine, goats, and rabbits. Ag Mechanics Division shall have one showmanship award. Please refer to the Showmanship rules.
29. No breeding animals will be sold through the Premium Sale. No animal shown in a breeding class may show in a market class.
30. A Classifier will be used to determine divisions in the following species: cattle, swine, and lambs. In all cases, the decision of the classifier will be final. Classifier has the right to require the animal to be washed or sponged off if they question color or markings.
31. The Superintendents shall set class size with a minimum of three (3) head required per class and sale numbers are based on the size of the class posted.
32. Complaints, protests, or questions concerning rules are the ultimate responsibility of the Show Superintendent after the Department Superintendents has been given the opportunity to discuss the issue. Issues that deal with the premium sale are the ultimate responsibility of the Sale Superintendent. All issues shall be discussed in private in a calm and professional manner. The HCLRA Officers and Directors are responsible for the facilities but have no power to change the ruling of the Show or Sale Superintendents.
33. Exhibitors and contestants suspended under Texas Education Code 33.081, "No Pass, No Play" are ineligible to participate in any Hood County Junior Livestock Show activity, event, competition or sale. Any project owned by an ineligible exhibitor is ineligible for competition or sale, even if rule #14 applies.
34. In the event of a mis-communication, mis-posting or other mistake by Show Officials, the Sale Superintendent with the Superintendents of the effected departments shall have the authority to add to the Sale order at their discretion.
35. No announcements before or during the Auction pertaining to donations, charities, etc. shall be made. Sale money will only be distributed to the exhibitor.

36. All exhibitors' animals will remain under the exhibitor's care until they are loaded on trucks or trailers until released by a Department Superintendent or Show Secretary. Bedding shall be sand or shavings only in or near the barn. ***Exhibitors will be responsible for keeping their stall space clean during and after the show and sale.***
37. All breeding animals and non-sale livestock may be released after judging of that livestock species is complete. All Premium Sale livestock will be released after the Premium Sale on Saturday afternoon.
38. The owner designated at weight-in must accompany any animal or project shown, except when two animals are in the same class. The designated owner must accompany their project at the Premium Sale. The only exceptions will be for family emergencies validated by the advisor or extracurricular school activities verified by the exhibitor's sponsor. Exhibitors that miss their sale position will not be sold in the Premium Sale.
39. Exhibitors shall wear show numbers in the show ring for identification purposes. A second set of numbers shall be distributed Saturday prior to the Sale to help with arranging the sale order and for picture identification of buyer plaques.
40. The exhibitor must inform the Show Secretary in writing by 6 p.m. Friday of their intention to floor an animal. Animals listed on the floor sale list may not be removed after the floor price is set. Animals may be added to the list after the floor price is set with Floor Buyers approval. Cattle, goat, swine, and sheep floors may be sold.
41. The dress code for all exhibitors during the Show and Premium Sale will be **long pants or skirt and sleeved, collared shirts with backs that shall remained tucked in. Tee shirts, crop tops, head coverings, shorts or clothing with offensive messages will NOT be allowed.** Exhibitor participation will not occur if the dress code is violated. NO CELL PHONES or communication electronic devices, such as I-Pods, iPhones or BlueTooth devices are allowed in the show or sale ring. No exceptions. No Warnings. Violators will be required to leave the ring for that class.
42. Penalties for intentional violation of rules:  
**First offense** – One year suspension and floor price only, no participation in the Premium Sale.  
**Second offense** – Lifetime Suspension
43. Trailer parking, including RV's and or travel trailers shall be in designated areas ONLY. If not, the exhibitor will be penalized as stated in rule #42. Trailer areas will be posted the same as pen assignments.
44. Exhibitors will be paid for their Premium Sale projects, floor animals and family living silent auction items when all money is collected from the buyers or no later than ten (10) weeks after the Premium Sale. Six percent (6%) of all sales and add-ons handled by the HCLRA goes to the HCLRA for expenses and upkeep of the grounds. A buyer plaque fee will be charged to all entries in the Premium Sale. Checks will be delivered to the Ag Teachers or CEA of exhibitors that sold a project through the sale or on the floor. **Checks may be released after the advisor have the exhibitors W-9 form for those exhibitors making more than \$600 from the sale and for all exhibitors verification that Thank You notes have been completed and delivered. Any uncashed checks after 180 days will be considered null and void.**

45. The Hood County Junior Livestock Show is a local show intended to teach youth the value of working with their project as they prepare it for market. With this in mind, any project fed or cared for by a custom fitter, at any time during the required ownership and fitting period, is not eligible to participate. A custom fitter is considered anyone who is not an immediate family member of the family or the CEA or AST.

## HOOD COUNTY JUNIOR LIVESTOCK SHOW SHOW / PREMIUM SALE CHART

1-8 IN HORIZONTAL COLUMN INDICATES ANIMALS IN SALE

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
3	XX							
4	XX							
5	XX	XX						
6	XX	XX						
7	XX	XX						
8	XX	XX	XX					
9	XX	XX	XX					
10	XX	XX	XX					
11	XX	XX	XX	XX				
12	XX	XX	XX	XX				
13	XX	XX	XX	XX				
14	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX			
15	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX			
16	XX	XX	XX	XX	XX			

3-16 VERTICAL COLUMN INDICATES NUMBER OF ANIMALS IN CLASS

	Top 50% places qualifying for sale – Major projects
XX	Top 33% places qualifying for sale- Broilers, Meat Pens and Single Fryer

## **POULTRY DEPARTMENT**

### **Broiler Division Rules:**

1. The broilers must be ordered and received by dates set by the HCLRA.
2. Each Pen will contain three (3) pullets or three (3) roosters. Exhibitors shall furnish their own pens.
3. There will be no weight limit on broilers.
4. Attached wing bands are required as they were delivered from the hatchery and shall be checked before entering the show ring.
5. Wing bands will be checked for proper number assigned to each owner prior to the final placement of pens.
6. Broilers may be divided into two (2) Divisions: pullets and roosters.
7. A minimum of five (5) pens are required to make a Division.
8. The Champion and Reserve Champion will receive an award
9. In the event that a broiler expires after entering the show ring, the decision to continue will be at the discretion of the judge.

## **RABBIT DEPARTMENT**

All Domestic breeds are eligible. All entries must meet requirements as specified in the American Rabbit Breeders Association (ARBA) Book of Standards.

### **Rabbit Division Rules:**

1. Each rabbit shall weigh a minimum of three and a quarter pounds (3.25)
2. Each rabbit shall not weigh more than five (5) pounds.
3. All rabbits shall be weighed in the presence of the Superintendents.
4. Rabbits Divisions are: 1) Meat Pen (Pen of 3) and 2) Single Fryer. Classes will be divided by the Rabbit Superintendents according to weight. Classes shall contain twelve (12) entries or less.
5. Meat Pens (Pen of 3) shall consist of three rabbits of the same breed and variety.
6. A rabbit shown in any Meat Pen may not be shown in the Single Fryer Class. Exhibitors may not change divisions unless an entry was made by the exhibitor in the other division.
7. A minimum of five (5) Single Fryers or five (5) Meat Pens are required to make a show.
8. The Champion and Reserve Champion Meat Pen and Champion and Reserve Champion Single Fryer shall receive an award.



**SWINE DEPARTMENT**

**Market Swine Division Rules:**

1. Ear notches and number will be documented by appropriate officials during validation.
2. Barrows and open gilts of any breed or cross are eligible.
3. Hogs must weigh at least 180 pounds at show weigh-in, or they will be disqualified.
4. The floor price will be paid on a maximum weight of 280 pounds.
5. Market Swine will be classified into six (6) Breed Classes, 1) Crosses, 2) Hampshires, 3) Durocs, 4) Yorkshires 5) Other Pure Breeds, Black (OPBB) and 6) Other Pure Breeds, White (OPBW).
6. Breed Classes will be divided by the Swine Superintendents according to weight.
7. A minimum of five (5) hogs are required to make a breed class. A breed class that does not make will be combined with another breed class at the Swine Superintendents discretion.
8. Hogs will be bedded on sand or shavings only, in or near the barn.
9. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each breed class and will receive an award.
10. Overall Champion and Reserve Champion will receive an award.

**Breeding Swine Division Rules:**

1. Classes will be divided by Swine Superintendents according to age.
2. The Champion Gilt and Reserve Champion Gilt will receive an award.
3. The cash award will be divided as follows:  
Five animal minimum: First place 50%, Second place 30%, and Third place 20%

**LAMB DEPARTMENT**

**Market Lamb Division Rules:**

1. Wethers or open ewes are eligible, weighing at least 70 pounds at show weigh-in or they will be disqualified.
2. The floor price will be paid on a maximum weight of 150 pounds.
3. All lambs must have been shorn slick within two (2) weeks prior to the HCLRA show date.
4. Breed Classes will be divided by the Lamb Superintendents according to weight.
5. A minimum of five (5) lambs are required to make a breed class. A breed class that does not make will be combined with another breed class at the Lamb Superintendents discretion.
6. Fine Wool lambs eligible; Rambouillet, Merino or a cross between these two breeds. Fine Wool Cross lambs eligible; a cross between any fine wool and any medium wool breed.
7. Southdown's eligible; purebred or grade.
8. Other breeds and crosses eligible; all medium wool breeds, long wool breeds or cross breeds except Southdowns.
9. Market Lambs will be classified into four (4) Breeds: 1) Fine Wool and Fine Wool Cross, 2) Southdown, 3) Medium Wool, 4) Hair Sheep (Dorper).
10. Lambs will be bedded on sand or shavings only, in or near the barn.
11. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each breed class and will receive an award.
12. Overall Champion and Reserve Champion will receive an award.

**Breeding Sheep Division Rules:**

1. Classes will be divided by the Lamb Superintendents, according to age.
2. Champion Ewe and the Reserve Champion Ewe will receive an award.
3. The cash award will be divided as follows:  
Five animal minimum: First place 50%, Second place 30%, and Third place 20%

## **GOAT DEPARTMENT**

### **Market Goat Division Rules:**

1. Wethers or open does of any breed or cross are eligible.
2. All Goats must weigh at least 50 pounds at show weigh-in, or they will be disqualified.
3. The floor price will be paid on a maximum weight of 120 pounds.
4. All goats must have been shorn slick within two (2) weeks prior to the HCLRA show date.
5. Market Goats will be divided into weight classes such as Lightweight, Medium Weight and Heavy Weight. The number of weight classes will be determined after weigh in at the discretion of the Goat Superintendents. Goats will then be assigned to classes based on weight, also at the discretion of the Goat Superintendents.
6. Goats will be bedded on sand or shavings only, in or near the barn.
7. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each weight class and receive an award.
8. Overall Champion and Reserve Champion will receive an award.

### **Breeding Goat Division Rules:**

1. Classes will be divided by the Goat Superintendents, according to age.
2. Champion Doe and Reserve Champion Doe will receive an award.
3. The cash award will be divided as follows:  
Five animal minimum: First place 50%, Second place 30%, Third place 20%

## **CATTLE DEPARTMENT**

### **Market Steer Division Rules:**

1. All steers must weigh at least 900 pounds at the show weigh-in, or they will be disqualified.
2. All steers must be halter broken and fitted.
3. The uniform and ethical fitting guidelines will be followed. Steer show will be "Blow and Go". Cattle Superintendents will be responsible for any action taken with regards to the uniform fitting rules.
4. Breed Classes will be divided by the Cattle Superintendents according to weight.
5. Market Steers will be classified into three (3) Breeds; American, British, European breeds and their respective crosses.
6. A minimum of five (5) steers are required to make a breed. If a breed does not make, those steers will be combined with the next smallest breed at the Steer Superintendents discretion.
7. Cattle will be bedded on sand or shavings only, in or near the barn.
8. A Champion and Reserve Champion will be selected from each breed and will receive an award.
9. Overall Champion and Reserve Grand Champion will receive an award.

### **Beef Heifer Division Rules:**

1. Classes will be divided by the Cattle Superintendents according to age and breed with a minimum of three (3) per class.
2. If not dehorned, beef heifer horns must be blunted for safety.
3. Beef Heifers shall not be older than 30 months of age and may have calves shown by their sides.
4. Champion Heifer and Reserve Champion Heifer will receive an award.
5. The cash award will be divided as follows: Five animal minimum: First place 50%, Second place 30%, and Third place 20%

**AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS DEPARTMENT**

**Ag Mechanics Rules:**

1. Entries shall check-in and set-up between 8 am and 3 pm Wednesday.
2. Exhibitors will be permitted to enter a maximum of two (2) entries. Entry forms will be available at the Extension Office, from your advisor or on the [hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org](http://hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org) website.
3. A minimum of five (5) entries are required to make a class. A class that does not make will be combined with another class at the Judge's discretion. The Classes shall be Trailers, Equipment, Recreational and Cooker/Smokers and must be declared at entry.
4. The Trailer Class is not restricted by size or length as long as DOT rules and regulations are obeyed.
5. The Equipment Class shall include chutes, farm and hay equipment, gates, and other similar projects.
6. The Recreational / Yard & Home Class can includes feeders, picnic tables, blinds/stands, lawn items, truck bumpers, and other similar projects.
7. The Cooker/Smoker Class can include smoker/cookers, smoker/cookers on wheels, or trailer mounted smokers/cookers.
8. Sharp edges and points shall be padded and covered as necessary to prevent injury. Any blind or stand shall be shown at ground level.
9. Only the exhibitor is allowed to answer questions during judging of the project or showmanship.
10. The exhibitor shall inform the judge how much assistance and or help was given by a parent, teacher or any other outside resource while working on the project.
11. The Champion and Reserve Champion of each class shall be eligible for the Premium Sale.
12. Overall Champion and Reserve Champion will receive an award.
13. Any project may be placed in a more appropriate division if the category is questioned by the judge. The judge's decision is final.
14. Projects may be sold by private treaty. Non-sale items are released at the conclusion of the show on Friday, January 8, 2016 at 4 pm. Premium sale projects will be released following the conclusion of the sale.

## **SHOWMANSHIP RULES**

1. Showmanship is open to any eligible exhibitor who wishes to compete.
2. An exhibitor in each age division (Junior & Senior) of the beef, swine, lamb, goat, and rabbit division will be chosen.
3. Age determination for purposes of animal Showmanship judging shall be the age as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the Show. A junior exhibitor shall not have reached his/her fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) birthday before January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the show. A senior exhibitor shall have reached his/her fourteenth (14<sup>th</sup>) birthday as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the show.
4. Exhibitors wishing to participate in Showmanship classes shall return after the market show.
5. Exhibitors shall participate in showmanship with an animal entered under their name only.
6. The award shall be judged on the exhibitor's ability to fit and show their respective animal. Each showman will be judged individually for excellence in the ability to show their animal.
7. Showmanship for the Agricultural Mechanics Division shall be judged on the exhibitor's ability to document the project stages with pictures, plans, and a material list including costs. The exhibitor shall be present during judging to explain and answer questions about the project.
8. Awards shall be determined by the HCLRA.
9. NO CELL PHONES, communication, or electronic devices are allowed on exhibitors in the show ring. See Dress code for more information.

## **FAMILY LIVING DEPARTMENT RULES**

1. Entry forms will be available at the Extension Office, from your advisor or on the [hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org](http://hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org) website.
2. Entries shall check-in entries between 8 am and 11 am Thursday and will be accepted from the exhibitor, parent, or adult leader. Index cards must be attached to each entry via tape, band, safety pen, string, or straight pen prior to the check-in desk.
3. Clover Kids are allowed a single entry at no fee in the Theme category.
4. The entry fee is \$5.00 per item, with no minimum number of items required with a maximum of up to 15 items per exhibitor.
5. All entries must have been made by the entering exhibitor between the dates listed in Rule #16.
6. Exhibitors must attach a 3 x 5 index card to each entry. Multiple index cards can be used if needed but shall be stapled together. The card(s) may be printed or typed with simple instructions or steps on how the item was made. Exhibitors **shall NOT** put their names on the index card.
7. Entries designed to hang shall be ready at check-in. Electricity is NOT available.
8. Entries shall be accompanied by the completed authorized form given to the exhibitor at the time of check in. This form lists if the item is for sale and if so, what is the starting bid. Each age division shall have its own unique colored form.
9. Exhibitors will be notified of any violations at time of check-in. At that time the exhibitor will be allowed to correct the entry before check-in is closed or that entry will be disqualified.
10. The age categories shall be Junior (age 8 – 13) and Senior (age 14 – 19). Age determination shall be the age as of January 1, 2016.
11. The three (3) divisions shall be Sewing, Food, and Crafts and must contain a minimum of five (5) entries in that age category to be considered a division
12. The Sewing Division will contain items such as quilts, blankets, and clothes.
13. All clothing entries shall be clean, properly pressed and brought on hangers.

14. The Food Division will contain items such as canned foods, preserves, candy, cookies, baked food, dried meat and dried fruit. No items needing refrigeration will be accepted.
15. All canned foods shall be in standard one pint size canning jars, labeled giving the product name and date it was canned. No covers on the lids will be allowed.
16. Canned food must have a good seal.
17. Judging of food entries will be made by taste, presentation and appearance of the entry item except canned foods will not be judged by taste.
18. Baked food, candies, and cookies must be displayed on foil covered cardboard or disposable plates/pans. Entries must be securely covered with plastic wrap or large zip-lock bag and labeled giving the product name and date it was prepared. Display plates shall not be larger than 2" wider than the product.
19. The Craft Division will contain items such as art, home décor, appliqued items, leatherwork, beadwork, pottery, recycled items, hand stitchery, and wood working.
20. All items entered by age category and division will be judged together. The judges will select the "Best of Show" and "Reserve" for each age category and division.
21. Judging may be closed to exhibitors, parents, family members, teachers, and adult leaders.
22. Exhibitors are allowed to sell their items during the silent auction time designated after judging and will be paid when all money is collected from the buyers or no later than 10 weeks after the Premium Sale.
23. Exhibitors have the option of not offering for sale any of their projects by marking this choice on the authorized entry form. All non-sale items shall be removed no later than 8:00 pm on Thursday.
24. All projects shall be removed by 8:00 pm on Friday.
25. See Rules #10, #20 and #41 in the General Rules section for Premium Sale information.



**LIVESTOCK SKILL-A-THON DEPARTMENT RULES**

1. Entry forms will be available at the Extension Office, from your advisor or on the [hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org](http://hoodcountylivestockraisersassociation.org) website.
2. The age categories shall be Junior (age 8 – 13) and Senior (age 14 -19). Age determination shall be the age as of January 1, 2016.
3. Check-in will be at 6 pm Wednesday with the contest starting at 6:30 pm.
4. Half of the entry fee and any sponsorship money will be divided as follows: Five participant minimum: First place 50%, Second place 30%, Third place 20%
5. Each participant will be tested individually on their knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management practices.
6. The tie breaker will be determined by the highest score on a pre-selected part of the test.
7. The areas of knowledge may include the follow: Equipment Identification, Breed Identification, Feed Identification, Meat Judging, Feed Tag Knowledge, and Quality Assurance (seniors only).
8. A list of resources can be found at <http://hclra.org> and will include swine, beef, sheep, goat, and meat resources.
9. A time limit for completing the test will be set for each age group by the judge.
10. The Champion of each age category will receive an award.

## **Hood County Junior Livestock Show & Sale** **January 6, 7, 8, and 9, 2016**

### **Schedule of Events**

#### **Wednesday, January 6**

8:00 am – Fairground Gates Open  
8:00 am - Agricultural Mechanics Division set-up starts  
8:30 am – 9:30 am - Rabbit Weigh in  
10:00 am – 10:30 am - Broiler Check in  
11:30 am – Broiler Show  
2:00 pm – Rabbit Show  
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm - Market Lamb Classification and Weigh In  
3:00 pm – Agricultural Mechanics Division set-up ends  
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm – Market Swine Classification and Weigh in  
6:00 pm – Livestock Skill-a-thon Check in  
6:30 pm – Livestock Skill-a-thon Contest  
10:00 pm – Gates close until 6 am Thursday

#### **Thursday, January 7**

8:00 am - 11:00 am – Family Living Division check-in  
8:00 am -9:00 am - Goat Weight in  
9:00 am -10:00 am - Market Steer Classification and Weigh in  
9:00 am – 10:00 am - Heifer Classification and Weigh in  
10:00 am – Market Lamb Show  
Noon – Family Living Division Judging  
1:00 pm - Agricultural Mechanics Division Judging  
4:00 pm – Market Swine Show  
6:00 pm – Family Living silent auction opens  
8:00 pm – Non-sale Family Living items removal deadline  
10:00 pm - Gates close until 6 am Friday

#### **Friday, January 8**

6:30 am – 8:30 am - Pancake Breakfast (4H fund raiser)  
6:30 am – Family Living silent auction continues  
8:00 am – Market Goat Show  
1:00 pm – Heifer Show  
1:30 pm – Market Steer Show  
4:00 pm - Removal of Ag Mechanic Projects not in Premium Sale  
4:00 pm – Family Living silent auction ends (items must be removed by 8:00 pm)  
8:00 pm – All Family Living item removal deadline  
10:00 pm - Gates close until 6 am Saturday  
Release of all projects not in premium sale following their show

#### **Saturday, January 9**

11:00 am – Buyers Buffet and Public Meal begins  
1:00 pm – Premium Auction Sale